(a) whether 'Chhattisgarh Raj Bhasha Aayog' has sent a proposal to include Chhattisgarhi in the Eighth Schedule;

(b) if so, whether Government would consider it;

(c) whether reply has been sent to the Commission; and

(d) if not, by when it would be sent?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (DR. SHAKEEL AHMAD): (a) No such request has been received by the Ministry of Home Affairs.

(b) to (d) Do not arise.

Missing Leaders of SIMI

513. PROF. ALKA BALRAM KSHATRIYA:
SHRIMATI SHOBHANA BHARTIA:
Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware that several leaders of the banned SIMI are missing who were arrested in the past;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government has found out the exact status of the SIMI men arrested in the past and went missing after bailout; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the further steps taken by Government to keep an eye on the functioning of such SIMI activists?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SHRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) and (b) 'Public order and Police' are State subjects under the Constitution and, as such, investigation and prosecution of crimes, including arrest and related matters lie within the jurisdiction of the States. Data in respect of persons who may be arrested, released on bail, absconders, etc. is not being compiled and maintained centrally.

(c) and (d) The State Governments are assisted and advised in this regard as a part of the ongoing process of sharing and exchange of information and intelligence and operational coordination between the Central and State agencies.

Infiltration and Violation of LoC in J&K

514. SHRI RAJEEV CHANDRASEKHAR: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has been increase in the cases of infiltration in J&K during this summer as also violation of Line of Control (LoC) from across the border;

(b) if so, the number of infiltrators apprehended by the security forces, the number of casualties of civilians, army personnel and para military personnel during this year; and

(c) the steps taken to deal with the increasing infiltration and violation of the LoC by Pak forces?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SHRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) No, Sir. As per available information, 243 persons are estimated to have infiltrated into the State during the summer in 2008 (April-September), as compared to an estimated number of 419 during the corresponding period of 2007.

As per the information available, 34 instances of ceasefire violations have been reported on the Line of Control (LoC) during 2008 (till October 15).

(b) The details are given below:-

Year	No. of infiltrators apprehended	Civilians Killed	SFs Killed
2008 (till September)	6	82	67

(c) The Government, in tandem with the State Government, have adopted a multi-pronged approach, to contain cross-border infiltration in Jammu and Kashmir, which includes, *inter-alia,* strengthening of border management and multi-tiered and multi-modal deployment along the International Border/Line of Control, and near the ever changing infiltration routes, construction of border fencing, provision and use of improved technology, weapons and equipment for security forces, improved intelligence and operational coordination and synergizing intelligence flows to check infiltration, and pro-active action against the terrorists within the State. The counter infiltration efforts are reviewed periodically at various levels in the State Government (including the two Unified Headquarters headed by the Chief Minister of Jammu and Kashmir) and in the Central Government.

All ceasefire violations have been brought to the notice of the, Pakistani military authorities at appropriate levels. Protests have been registered through the established mechanisms of hotline, flag meetings as well as weekly talks between the Directors General of Military Operations. Suitable measures have also been taken by way of deployment along the Line of Control to ensure its sanctity, and strong retaliatory action against any attempts of violation of the Line of Control, while maintaining adequate restraint to prevent any escalation.

Spreading Naxal Menace in Country

515. DR. JANARDHAN WAGHMARE: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Naxalite menace has spread across 200 districts in the country creating thereby an alarming situation from law and order point of view;

(b) if so, what steps have been taken to uproot it permanently; and

(c) how far Government has succeeded in its endeavour?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SHRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) to (c) Naxal activities are confined to some areas of the Country and State Governments are dealing with it in a holistic manner.

The Central Government also closely monitors the situation and supplements the efforts of the State Governments in a variety of ways.